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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

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Application No.: 09/447,419

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For: ORGANIC EL DEVICE AND METHOD OF
MANUFACTURING THE SAME

Group Art Unit: 2879

Examiner: M. Santiago

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

In response to the non-final Office Action dated May 8, 2001 (Paper no. 3), the period for reply to which being extended to September 10, 2001 by a petition for one-month extension of time filed herewith (September 8 being a Saturday), please amend the above-identified application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claim 1 as follows

1. (Amended) An organic EL device comprising:
- a lower electrode formed on a substrate;
 - an organic EL layer formed on the lower electrode;
 - an upper electrode formed on the organic EL layer;
 - a sealing member for sealing said lower electrode, organic EL layer and upper electrode on said substrate so that they are covered with the sealing member, wherein said sealing member is made of an aluminum material coated with an insulating layer in its inner surface, said